New twist to murder case alleged

By Keenan Gingles

The Almagest has learned that an additional LSUS student may have been involved in fronting money to Wade DeLaune and Drew Cullars, two LSUS students who were allegedly murdered in a large narcotics deal.

According to a source, who asked not to be named, a student currently enrolled at LSUS provided "one-third" of the \$6,000 that the pair took, along with William Vicks, when they flew to Baton Rouge to purchase a large amount of marijuana. The identity of the additional student could not be learned.

DeLaune and Cullars, were found in the Atchafalaya Basin chained to concrete slabs and each was shot in the head, according to Iberville Parish Sheriff Jessel Ourso.

Thomas C. Joyner and Reginald R. Kaese were arrested Tuesday and charged with the murders, the sheriff said. According to our source, Joyner attended school here in 1971. At the time of the arrests, both had Baton rouge addresses, but they were originally from Shreveport. The source said Joyner, before attending LSUS, served in the U.S. Army Green Beret, was wounded and had been decorated.

Director quits his SGA post

By Randy Griffith

Citing his job as "an exercise in futility," David Towns, director of the Office of Special Research, resigned last Monday. Towns has been the only director since the office was created. The job is an appointed position that is also voluntary.

The move was apparently unrelated to the controversy in the Student Government Association (SGA) concerning the Tony Sanders-Paul Akers (SGA president and vice president, respectively) trip to Baton Rouge (see last week's Almagest).

There were rumors that Town's resignation came because of pressure from Sanders for support from Towns.

However, the ex-director indicated there was no such situation and his resignation was totally unrelated to the SGA feud. "It is not what you think, it is not Tony," he said in an interview last Monday.

"It was just the total frustration with everything. You try honestly and sincerely to help out the students and then they say you're doing it for your own gain."

He also said there had never been any conflict between him and Sanders except about the SGA contitution which was enacted last semester.

The resignation was apparently caught many SGA members off guard.

Sanders, who registered surprise at the news, said of Towns," He has worked harder and done more to try and get something done for the students than any other student I know.

He also commented that Towns was much more active than students knew about.

Sanders presently had no one in mind for a replacement. He said it was too early to tell what the effect would be on the office.

"My test on whether the resignation will help or hinder the office is whether the office will last or not. If it was a bad idea to create it, the office will fold."

In very emotional tones, Towns spoke of a sense of defeat "in a situation where you sacrifice your grades, your physical, emotional and mental health for an office that gives you no reward whatsover, except for inner satisfaction."

Although he admitted altruism was an important part of his job, he confessed that he could "only go so

"Nobody has told me if I've done anything wrong or right. I don't know if I'm helping the students or not. Nobody will comment on anything to me."

The letter of resignation reads, in full: "It is with a deep sense of regret that I must resign my position as Director of the Office of Special Research. My reasons are many and varied and they can best be summed by saying my efforts have been viewed as an exercise in futility.

"I will always be available for advise and help in the future. Respectfully, David Towns."

Answering criticism of the senate, Towns said that much of it may be unjustified.

"The students think sitting up here is a load of laughs and we're not doing a thing. That shows how limited they are."

The senate, he said, was a new experience for most of the senators and many were just trying to get use to the new constitution and rules of order.

Towns had no immediate plans for the future, in regards to the SGA. "I will stay around in an advisory capacity, but that's about it. Otherwise, I'm going to be a full-time student."

The source said that the marijuana buy had been set up jointly between Joyner and Cullars. Joyner, the source said, came to Shreveport, on or right before Jan. 8, contacted Cullars and DeLaune, and offered to sell them 120 pounds of marijuana at \$50 per pound.

According to the informer, Cullars and DeLaune left Jan. 8 to meet with Joyner and Kaese to purchase the marijuana. Vicks, a resident of Shreveport, accompanied Cullars and DeLaune on the airplane ride to Baton Rouge, the source said.

Vicks' role in the affair was to drive a rented car back to Shreveport with the marijuana, the source said. For doing this, he was to be paid the sum of \$200, our contact stated. Upon the three's arrival in Baton Rouge, they separated; Vicks checked into a Baton Rouge motel, while Cullars and DeLaune met with Joyner and Kaese, the source said.

The night Vicks checked into the motel, Cullars showed up at his motel room and told him (Vicks) that the quality of the marijuana was good and asked Vicks to give him the money, the source continued. Vicks

then handed over the money and asked where DeLaune was, according to the source, and was told that he was with Kaese

The source also said that Cullars told Vicks that Joyner was waiting in the car for him outside the motel, and that they would have to travel by boat to get the marijuana. Vicks remained at the motel overnight and part of the next day awaiting the return of Cullars and DeLaune with the marijuana, the informer continued. The two never returned and Vicks left the next afternoon for Shreveport, the source said.

The investigation into the incident began after Cullars and DeLaune had been missing about three weeks.

DeLaune was described by students and faculty members as an outstanding student. He was to have graduated from LSUS this spring and had hoped to attend law school, one student said. Cullars was described as intelligent and "a nice guy."

Funeral services for the victims were held this week. According to David Towns, former SGA research director, flowers were sent by student government to the funerals

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Bus service needs riders

By Keenan Gingles

Unless more students begin to use the Shreveport Transit System, bus service to LSUS may be curtailed in the near future.

According to Neil P. Bjornsen, manager of the system, the feeder line (LSUS Route-170) that serves the University has so far been a losing proposition for the city transit.

The line, which provides shuttle service primarily to LSUS and the Town South subdivision area, began service last year after negotiations between the transit system and campus officials. Tony Sanders, SGA president; Bill Malone, a former SGA president; and Paul Akers, SGA vice president, were instrumental in obtaining the service for the school.

Statistics revealed by Bjornsen Tuesday showed that the line is operating at a loss of about \$2,500 per month. Bjornsen said that buses operate at an estimated cost of 87 cents an hour and is driven an average of 3,200 miles each month. According to the transit manager, the LSU line is only earning about 7 cents a mile.

Possibilities offered

Bjornsen said, however, that he was more interested in pushing the service, than curtailing it. His decision as to whether to continue or stop the bus will be made between now and July. Declining to be anymore specific as to the date that he would make his decision, he said that the curtailment was "under consideration." He also added that between now and July of this year, an engineering firm will make a study of the city's transit system and make recommendations for improvement

The manager said that besides terminating the service, there might be other alternatives, such as cutting down the number of stops on campus. One possible solution to the problem might be for the University to more actively promote the system to students, he said.

Bjornsen said, based on his understanding of the agreement between the school and the system, he felt that LSUS had not done its share helping to promote the use of the busses. He suggested that the school could help by allowing some department, organization or function at the school handle tickets that would yield 10 rides. Cost of the tickets would be \$3.50 or 35 cents per ride, the manager said.

The fee is the same for college students, as for regular passengers, he said. Discounts are currently offered for persons below 18 years of age. In addition, a transfer ticket can be obtained for 5 cents, that is good for an one and one-half hours.

The school might also erect a permanent shelter for the bus stop and benches could be provided for them to sit upon. Presently, there is not even a bus stop sign on campus. While the transit company will provide the sign, Bjornsen said it could not provide shelter or benches, due to lack of funds. He suggested that the



The LSUS bus wheels out of the Science Building parking lot bound for the Town South area. Because of the small number of students using the bus, transit officials are considering stopping ther service here. (photo: Greg Goodwin)

school could either utilize the skils of university personnel or might seek cooperation from one of the vocational technical schools in the area. He suggested these only as possibilities. As for the benches, Bjornsen said that there is a local advertising agency that usually provides benches, in exchange for the priviledge of running advertising on them.

Akers backs up Bjornsen

Paul Akers, Student Government Association vicepresident, backed up some of the charges made by Bjornsen, saying that he felt the University has not lived up to committments made with the transit service.

Regarding the possible cancellation of bus service to the school, Akers said he "hoped the transit system would give notice to the school" before it took any action.

Tony Sanders, and Akers promised to look into the situation to see what SGA could do to keep the busses running.

Bjornsen said he would welcome any input, suggestions or ideas from either student government of LSUS administrators that could lead to increased use of the system.

The Inside Page

Editorials Letters Comment

Rebate robs state

By Robert Freeman

If there's a single word that best characterizes President' Ford's tax rebate proposal, it has to be "if". If it works. If it isn't suicidally inflationary. If it isn't too little too late. And perhaps the biggest consideration, if the Congress can rise above its petty logrolling and backscratching and even do anything about it.

There is a whole sack full of additional "ifs" for those of us who live in the South, and more specifically, in Louisiana. Most of them focus on the economic impact of the proposal and to state the case bluntly, it looks pretty bleak.

To begin with, Louisiana's income level is about 20 per cent below the rest of the nation's. Now, the tax rebate returns money to people on the basis of their former tax payments. Thus with payments also lower than the national average, that obviously leaves this state in bad shape for getting its chunk of the giveaway.

This situation is aggravated in that fully 22 per cent of the state's population lives on incomes officially classified as below the federal poverty level. This means those people paid no taxes last year and hence will

get back 12 per cent of zero which is zero. It begins to sound like a sadistic farce.

Compounding the problem further is the fact that Louisiana is last among all southern states in manufacturing. Ford's proposal returns some \$4 billion to business to tax credits to stimulate investment. But with so little manufacturing, not only is the state unlikely to get much money through this means, but whatever stimulation we experience is going to have to be done vicariously

The state's consumer price index for 1973-74 was 130, a mere 3 per cent below the national average. In fact, by some collosal inversion of logic, round steak sells for less in New York City than it does in New Orleans.

So, having written off the likelihood for significant federal monies and facing the same inflation as the rest of the nation but with a slimmer outlook for jobs, we're forced to fall back on our last consolation: Louisiana ranks 3rd (yep, 3rd!) in the nation in percent of people on government payrolls. Really, though, I'm not so sure that's so much a consolation as it may be a cause. But if Governor Edwards could just hire the rest of us .

SGA produces less. Towns, SEC, IM's praised

By Randal M. Beach Contributing Editorialist

This past Monday David Towns resigned his position as Director of the Office of Special Research for the SGA. His reason for the action was that he felt that his many hours of hard work in the post had been simply an exercise in futility.

There is a great deal more behind this feeling than immediately meets the eye. Towns has worked harder than any other member of SGA since his appointment last summer. He has compiled a large library of information on such diverse subjects as university day-care centers, student loan services, and student legal rights, just to name a few. He has done the groundwork for the elected members of SGA (executive and legislative), leaving only the actual implementation programs to these "representatives". Yet the 1974-75 SGA has not implemented a single constructive program or service for the student body. No wonder Mr. Towns feels futile!

The SGA's of 1972-73 and 1973-74 stand in marked contrast. Those two SGA's were responsible for campus checkcashing service, improvements to the snack shack, including amusements and improved food service, and the selection of school colors and a mascot. They were also responsible for providing public transportation in the form of city buses, forming the Student Entertainment Committee, and obtaining extended library hours. One of the most controversial results of the 1973-74 SGA was the implementation of a program through which campus clubs and organizations could obtain permission for the consumption of alchoholic beverages on campus at campus-sponsored activites. All of these were very real improvements benefiting the student body.

Why has our present SGA produced no such results? Let us hope that for their sake as well as ours they will embark on a new and better course in the near future. They are quickly running out of time in which to redeem themselves. It becomes easier and easier to understand Mr. Towns' feelings of futility.

On a brighter note, highest compliments are due the Student Entertainment Committee and the Intramurals Office. The Student Entertainment Committee, previously directed by Rebel Brown and now headed by Tommy Starkey, continues to provide quality entertainment on their limited budget. This group of students is masterfull at stretching its allotted funds and giving its time to insure that all runs smoothly.

The Intramurals Office, directed by Marvin Street, has offered an ever-expanding program for physical activities for the enjoyment of both male and female students.

I am personally very grateful for all of these people who give so generously of themselves in serving all of us.

Letters to the editor

Sanders replies to critics

To the editor:

Accountability to the students is of primary importance to my administration. With this in mind, it is my responsibility to see that you, the student body, remain adequately informed; that is the purpose of this letter.

The Student Government Association, despite destructive criticisms from unsatisfied fault finders, has made progress for the students. Over one-half of the items listed in my campaign platform have been completed or are in the terminal stages of completion - greater student input into facilities planning University Center questionaire, student membership on the Long Range Planning Committee), we have begun negotiations with the administration on the final draft of the Bill of Student Rights, active involvement with the Louisiana Student Lobby, a new SGA Constitution, off-campus campus for banking organization and academic appeals are on the way to the Student Affairs Committee. The rest of my platform will be accomplished by the end of my administration.

My campaign platform is only a part of our total program. Throughout my administration I have strived to remain flexible to student demands and yet exercise the proper leadership. With this in mind, our programs have been and will continue to Other SGA acexpand. complishments include: establishment of the Office of Community & Government Affairs and the Office of Special Research, continuation of LSU-S fair booth, changing graduation to meet student demands, the training of students in legal rights, new rules for the Senate and Campus-Wide Discussions. Forthcoming are a short-term loan service (Cindy McManus), free blood typing and Blood Assurance Plan (started by Bill Malone), active lobbying for our health and physical education facility (Bill Ferguson), guidelines for student membership on the Board of Supervisors (thanks to the legislature), payment of tution in installments, by-laws for the SGA, constitutional referendum in March) and possibly a daycare center in the University Center (David Towns).

Finally, a few comments concerning the "Baton Rouge affair" are in order. First, most of the allegations in the last issue of the paper are so erroneous that they do not merit reply. Second, as president of the Student Government Association, it is my responsibility to attend meetings held for the interest of students. I have received total concurrence with my actions from these people who have total knowledge about the circumstances surrounding this issue; this includes other student leaders and university

I have in the past, am now, and will continue to work to see that the best interests of the student body will be met. Any student wishing to discuss any aspect of my administration, past, present, or future, should see me either in the SGA office LA 122 or call me at home. I may have a ten dollar grin but I am not the "king of nothing."

Jeff, friends in bad taste

Letter to the editor:

I wouldn't flatter myself by assuming that you, the readers of the Almagest, would like to hear my further comments on the issue of women's liberation. I wouldn't insult your intelligence by dragging this ridiculous, juvenile string of articles and letters out any further. I'm sure you are as bored as I am with the apalling ignorance that has been so blatantly revealed.

But I feel the letter which Barbara McJunkins and I wrote last semester has been put in a class with these other bits of trash, which I feel is wrong, for it was written seriously and with the intent to contribute. We tried to attack the grossly unfair idea behind an article that was written to be funny. Unfortunately this idea was lost in the process of editing. So I must emphasize again; the whole point is that there is nothing funny about the women's liberation movement! Whether or not one is in favor of the movement is not the issue. The point is that one wouldn't write an article making fun of Blacks, Jews, or other minority groups, regardless of how he feels about them.

It's simple. Jeff Amoeba and his friends, (including "Nina Muntz, whoever he is), have shown extremely bad taste in trying to make a serious cause funny. The fact that it appealed to some warped senses of humor as entertainment does not make it less gross.

I don't think anyone failed to see that Amoeba was trying to be funny in his article. Such shallow thinking is rarely misunderstood. Besides, he had been trying all semester. His bringing of Jonathan Swift, Ireland, and fried chicken does not camouflage his lack of talent. However, I understand how he can "just picture" two married women eating fried chicken even though he does not know us personally, for we can "just picture" him and we don't know his mother personally.

news concerning LSUS.

Brenda Hall

Senator asks cooperation

To the editor:

It has been very apparent to me that in the last few weeks, the SGA Senate has come under some very harsh criticism. Some of this attack may be justified to a certain extent but much of it is very unjust and undue. The senate has worked very hard but has had some very large obstacles to over-

First to be considered is the fact most of the senators were elected for the first time and had never functioned within a university student government before. Also the senate had to work under manned because of the lack of ineffective leadership of the SGA President Tony Sanders. There were offices to be filled in September, such as SGA treasurer, that no action was taken on until December of the year. It can also be pointed out that the president of the senate, Paul Akers, needs some brushing up on parliamentary procedures.

The SGA senate has tried in the past to put on activities for the students but the high apathy that is present at LSUS has made it next to impossible to continue sponsoring activities when no one will show up. Students as well as student leaders lie at fault here.

It may be that part of the fault lies within my ownself but this fact can only be justified if I felt I wasn't giving it my all. But it would be a terrible misconception on everyone's part if they do not realize that I am also a student and must divide my time between extracurricular activities and the classroom.

The SGA senate cannot just be an active senate, it must also be a successful one and the only

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Notice

In this issue and the last, the Almagest has received letters and articles that have been signed with fictitious names. As a matter of policy, any contributions made must now be accompanied by the real name

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Campus Briefs

Alpha Phi

Alpha Phi, social sorority, had a skating party Jan. 29 at Silver Blades Ice Palace.

Melinda Biles, area central secretary, came Feb. 2-8 for the Officer's retreat.

Profs attend conf.

Dr. Bobby Taberlet, dean of the College of Education, and Dr. David B. Gustavson, assistant professor of education, are attending the national conference of the Association of Teacher Educators through Feb. 8.

Course Offered

The Office of Conferences and Institutes is offering a short course in securities and investments to begin Feb. 24 through April 21. Course goals are to acquaint potential investors with basic facts needed to make an intelligent decision and introduce the student to the securities market and specific problems of investing.

Thomas Ruffin, administrative manager of E.F. Hutton and Company, Inc. will serve as course instructor.

The class will meet 7-8:30 p. m. Monday nights, and will be limited to 30 people. Pre-registration is necessary and a \$15.00 fee is required. For further information call John Powell at 865-7121, extension 262.

Music Jam

A folk country music jam will be sponsored by SEC February 19. The jam will be 2 p. m. between the Science and Liberal Arts buildings. In case of inclement weather, it will be moved to the SLA building.

Alpha Sigma

Alpha Sigma Omicron will sponsor help sessions every Wednesday 12 - 2 in rooms 228 and 118 of the Science Building. Sessions are open to any student desiring help in any subject. Tutors are honor society members, and are usually juniors or seniors. For additional information contact Dr. Leitz, LA 219.

Speed Reading

Conferences and Institutes will offer a short course in speed reading on Monday and Wednesday nights Feb. 26-March 31. The second session will be offered April 7-May 7. Times for the class will be 6-8:30 p. m.

The course is designed for persons who wish to increase their reading ability, improve reading flexibility and read with more comprehension. John Powell will be the instructor.

Pre-registraton for the course is required, along with a \$35.00 registration fee. No more than 26 people are allowed in each session.

Veterans' Benefits

In conjunction with higher education payments, veterans may be eligible for an additional nine months of entitlement if they are pursuing an undergraduate degree.

To be eligible for the additional nine months the veterans: (1) must have been originally entitled to the full 36 months of schooling, (2) must have been enrolled in an undergraduate program at an institution of higher learning at the time the original 36 months entitlement was exhausted, (3) must not have completed the requirements for a bachelor's degree.

Any questions concerning this new program should be directed to Bob Dunbar, LA 102.

SLTA

The Student Louisiana Teachers Association will elect new officers for the coming year Feb. 24 at 3:30 p. m. Any person interested in running for an office may contact Dr. Eddleman or Bob Banning as soon as possible.

Two attend conf.

Fabia E. Thomas, registrar, and Harry Moore, assistant registrar of systems and procedures, attended the Southern Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers Feb. 3-5 in Biloxi Miss

Celebration Held

LSUS celebrated its tenth year of organization Thursday. The university opened in 1967 with a faculty of 36 and a supporting staff of 30. Student enrollment was 807, and is presently approximately 3000. Full-time faculty members now number around 125.

Celebrants were treated to coffee and cookies in the science building and a 200-foot film featuring historic scenes of LSUS was shown.

Tri Delta

Delta Delta Delta last week toasted with champagne the ribboning of seven new girls to their sorority and the upcoming event of Delta week, followed by the installation of their chapter. The date will be February 28. The girls received pansies, the sorority's flower, as a gift from their alumna adviser. Formal pledging of the new girls will be announced at a later date.



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Appearing at the second annual Beer Bash Boogie will be the St. James Group from Little Rock, Ark. The group is renowned for the variety of music it performs, including rock 'n' roll, country, folk and jive.

SEC plans dance

By Paula Seago

The second annual Beer Bash Boogie is scheduled Feb. 10 at the Convention Center. The St. James Group from Little Rock, Ark., will provide music for the event from 8-12 p.m. One student ID admits two people. Free beer and cokes will be available.

The St. James Group covers the entire spectrum from jive tunes and rock 'n' roll to country and folk music. Members of the group include: John Bradley, one of the few technically trained drummers in rock today; Mark Hays, who plays the steel guitar, the harmonica, and keyboard and excells as a vocalist and performer; Chuck Gordon, who plays a grand piano and a Hainmond B-3organ; Mark Calhoun, playing a driving bass guitar; Patrick James, leader of the group on organ, acoustic and electric guitar; and Andy Fullerton, lead guitarist. All members sing and write.

The St. James Group has shared the bill with such name acts as Jim Croce, Z.Z. Top, Jerry Jeff Walker, Black Oak Arkansas. Canned Heat and the Nitty Gritty Dirt Band.

Last semester's Boogie was held Feb. 25 at the American Legion Club on Cross Lake. The affair was a crawfish boildance. Tommy Starkey, SEC chairman, explained that the services provided by the American Legion Club would be insufficient and their price was too high. The crawfish boil was cancelled because the cost is not within the SEC budget.

TV for credit

Earth News) — In what is being heralded as the most massive use of television in higher education history, some 25,000 students at more than 200 colleges and universities are receiving credit this winter for viewing the new Public Broadcasting series "The Ascent of Man."

Among the campuses offering credit for the 13-week series are the State University of New York, Dartmouth, Pennsylvania State, Temple, and the Universities of Michigan, Minnesota, New Mexico. Virginia, Alaska, and Hawaii

On most participating campuses, the students' television viewing is being supplemented by a companion book, a set of study guides, and in-class discussions. The series, developed by the late Jacob Bronowski for the British Broadcasting System and Time-Life films, traces the history of western culture through science.

Local Entertainment

Beta Chi party

Beta Chi will have an "Old West" party Feb. 8, 7:30 p.m., at Silver Pines Apts. Western attire is required and a prize will be awarded for the best costume. Refreshments will be provided.

Marjorie Lyons Playhouse

Tickets for "The Crucible" and "Dark of the Moon" are still available at the Marjorie Lyons Playhouse box office, but seats are limited. Reservations are available for "The Crucible" on Friday, Feb. 14. Openings for "Dark of the Moon" are available for tonight, and for Saturday, Feb. 15.

Theater Guild party

A Theatre Arts Guild TAG) party will be held after the Feb. 14 performance of "When You Comin Back, Red Ryder" at the Shreveport Little Theatre SLT). Members will attend as a group and discuss the production afterwards in the theatre lobby.

SLT Director Michael Vetrie said TAG members will be admitted to that performance at a reduced rate. Reservations should be made by Saturday. Contact Eleanor Cullick, TAG treasuer, at 869-5957 after 5 p. m.

"Frenzy" Movie

"Frenzy," Alfred Hitchcock's latest production, will be shown in the Science Lecture Auditorium Friday, Feb. 14. Showtime is 8 p.m. Students and dates are admitted free with ID.

National poetry contest

Submissions are being accepted for the spring competition of the National Poetry Press. There is no limitation of form or theme. Shorter works are preferred by the board of judges, because of space limitations.

Each poem must by typed or printed on a separate sheet and bear the name and home address of the student, as well as the address of the college he attends and the name of his English instructor.

Mail contributions to National Poetry Press, Office of the Press, 3210 Selby Ave., Los Angeles, Calif. 90034. Deadline is April 10. Olivia Newton-John

Olivia Newton-John, the Austrailian-British folk singer, will be in concert Friday, Feb. 14, at 8 p.m. at the Hirsch Memorial Coliseum.

Tickets, priced at \$4, \$5, and \$6, are on sale at all Stan's Record Shops and the State Fair office. All seats are reserved.

The concert is sponsored by GFA Concerts of Jackson, Miss., and the Centenary College Alumni Association. "Pippin" Musical

"Pippin," a Broadway musical by the composer of "Godspell," will be staged at the Civic Theater on Feb. 20. Curtain is at 8:15.

The production, a scholarship benefit for the Marjorie Lyons Playhouse, is sponsored by Marie Gifford and Pericles Alexander. Tickets, \$8, \$10, \$12, are available at the Civic Center box office. All seats are reserved.

Pianist dazzles audience

By Eleanor Cullick Contributing Writer

Belying his 53 years, a youthful Abbey Simon tackled a difficult, long program Sunday afternoon when he appeared as concert artist with the Shreveport Symphony. Artist in residence at Indiana University School of Music, Simon played Beethoven's "3rd Piano Concerto," following that selection with a dazzling display of pianistic pyrotechnics of the left hand with Revel's "Concerto in D for Left Hand," and lastly that is correct, three concerti in one afternoon), "Ravel's Concerto in G Major.

Simon displays an academician's precise, flawless technique with an almost classic approach. The Beethoven "C Minor" reveals the composer's marked advance both in technique and emotional depth, and Simon's performance was beautiful and profound. Especially moving was the long and beautiful third movement with its richness of melody and subtle ornamentation.

Written for Paul Wittgenstein, a concert pianist who lost his right hand in World War I, the "Concerto for Left Hand" left this reviewer limp from viewing the demands made on the artist's left hand in this unimaginably sparkling treatment. Chords, melodies, unheard of musical passages—these challenges were met and conquered by Simon with most able assistance from maestro Shenaut and orchestra. It was a brilliant performance.

Topping the lush desert we had just been served was the bubbly, poetic Ravel, sensitively performed by Simon and excellently supported by his fellow musicians. Indeed, the generosity of this artist was only outmatched by the brilliance of the artist himself.

A small postscript: those who were seated in the first few rows of the orchestra were astonished but most delighted to hear the artist humming away in blissful unawareness. We understand Toscanini sang along with his opera stars. Why not indeed?

in lecture series

Soldier's plight told

By Penny Adams Contributing Writer

"Yankee Doodle: Soldier of the Revolution," the first of three lectures in the LSUS Spring Bicentennial Series, was presented by Dr. Hugh Rankin of Tulane University on Jan. 31.

Chancelor Donald Shipp introduced Dr. Rankin and announced that in addition to the lecture series, a course on the revolutionary period of American history and special library exhibits were being planned.

Plight of soldier described

Dr. Rankin, described the plight of the ordinary citizen soldier of the American Revolution. Dr. Rankin said that often the soldiers were illiterate, without uniforms, had no official military training, provided their own fire arms and had a main diet of "firecakes and water."

Dr. Rankin stated that these soldiers were ill-equipped for war on an open battlefield; and were often drunk, disrespectful and slept while on duty.

Dr. Rankin emphasized that mutiny occurred frequently and the conditions of the army contributed greatly. Bleeding feet, starvation, unfit clothing, fatigue and filth were, Dr. Rankin stated, the average soldier's fare, with a monthly salary of six to seven cents.

Military discipline described Dr. Rankin described military discipline as consisting of flogging, riding wooden horses, standing in pillories, death; and medical care as an additional punishment with two main pain relievers, opium and a bullet between the teeth.

The three main ambitions of the soldier, according to Dr. Rankin, were "rum, women, and going home." John Adams described them as the "rum spirit of 1776," and George Washington said "Good God have I got such troops as these!"

Desertion occured often in the American Revolution and Dr. Rankin attributed this to different causes. Men returned home to harvest crops, many were tired of fighting, and some, over 3,000 American soldiers, switched their allegiance to England.

Soldiers were patriots

But Dr. Rankin did emphasize that most of these soldiers were liberty seekers, men fighting for democracy, though few knew its meaning. Dr. Rankin described them as simple people who were fighting for security for their families and homes. Dr. Rankin distinguished the soldiers by calling them patriots.

In conclusion, Dr. Rankin, said he felt that the word patriotism, has a dirty connotation to many Americans today. He also admitted of "waving the flag" to rekindle the spirit of freedom in America today and to give respect to the word patriotism.

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Chancellor Donald E. Shipp holds a plaque presented by Dr. Gary Brashier on behalf of the University's administrative staff. The presentation occured during ceremonies commemorating Dr. Shipp's leadership since the creation of LSUS ten years ago. (photo: Irvin Schueler)

Debaters score

By Sandy Bellar

The LSUS debate team scored moderately against tough competition in its first national tournament at Baylor University Jan. 31-Feb. 1.

There were 106 teams from 49 schools in the all-debate tournament. "The LSUS four-man squad battled and observed such big-level powers like those from the University of Houston, Dartmouth, Oral Roberts, UCLA, University of Pittsburgh and Louisiana Tech," commented Dr. Frank Lower, debate team coach.

"Because of the excellent record during the fall semester, the team was ready to experience competition against tough nationally known teams," said Dr. Lower.

"Our teams heard cases on a variety of subjects which enriched the debaters perception of this years topic: 'Resolving the Power of the President'" Dr. Lower concluded.

Don Hutchinson and John Boston on team one had 2 wins and 6 losses while Robert Bolin and Lydia Rhodes won 3 and lost 5 in competition.

"When you see a situation you cannot understand, look for the financial interest."

Tom L. Johnson

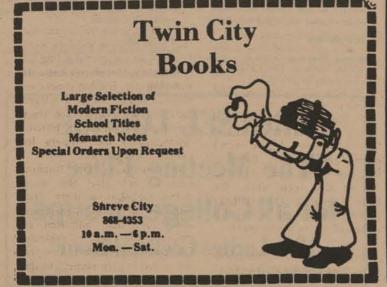
Also, Don Hutchinson has accumulated enough speaker's points to participate in the National Individual Events Tournament in Chicago during April

Scheduled for Feb. 21-22, at Stephen F. Austin State in Nacogdoches, Tex. is the Piney Woods Speech Tournament in which the two teams and individual speakers will compete. Students entering individual events are Lydia Rhodes, extemporaneous and oratory; Robert Freeman, extemporaneous; and Don Hutchinson, oratory.

Intrafaith luncheon

Rabbi Sally Priesand, the first female ordained rabbi in the world, will be the guest speaker at the Intrafaith Luncheon scheduled next Monday at B'Nai Zion Temple.

The 11:30 luncheon is sponsored by four local Jewish women's organizations: the Shreveport Council of Jewish Women, the Shreveport Hadassah, the B'Nai Zion Temple Sisterhood and the Agudath Achim Synagogue Sisterhood. Reservations for the Intrafaith Luncheon can be made by contacting Mrs. Karl Levy, 222-2897 or Mrs. Nathan Rubenstein, 861-2655.



In senate meeting

Action on funds delayed

By Randy Griffith

Action on a controversial bill that would reimburse Student Government Association (SGA) President Tony Sanders and SGA Vice President Paul Akers for a trip to Baton Rouge was postponed Friday in a SGA senate meeting.

The bill had been referred to the Academic and Social Freedoms Committee for recommendation the week before.

However, the committee did not meet because "we did not have our committee set up," according to chairman Dubba Hermes.

He was referring to the vacancies created through the resignations of several senators. New members were assigned to the committee and a meeting was set for last Wedensday.

The bill gained unanimous approval of the committee, although a mild repremand to Sanders was added. All members except for James Hytt were present.

The action virtually assured passage of the bill today in the senate

Last Friday's meeting got off to a slow start, mainly because of arguments about the newly enacted Rules of Order. At the very first vote of the afternoon, on the acceptance of last week's minutes, senator John Mier argued with several other senators over who should sit next to Akers.

Business soon picked up, however, and a total of three bills and two resolutions were discussed.

Two bills authorizing pay for one hour per day for both the SGA secretary and treasurer passed unamiously with no debate.

Also, a resolution endorsing the payment of fees in installments passed without objection. Sanders indicated he would present the resolution to Chancellor Donald E. Shipp.

Two senator appointments, John Grau and Robert Freeman, were also approved.

The vote for Grau was 17 for and 4 against; the vote for Freeman was 10 for, 5 against and 2 abstain. Both had been appointed by Sanders.

The meeting was comparatively calm with little discussion about any bill or resolution. However, the Rules of Order, just enacted two weeks ago, were still causing much confusion among senators.

But after the meeting, several senators expressed optimism that the adjustments to the rules would not take much longer.

In reference to the controversy surrounding his trip, Sanders said at the start of the meeting he hoped "any misunderstandings can be settled long in advance before they become serious problems."

He also thanked Randy Beach, the ex-director of the Office of Community and Government Affairs and an ardent critic of Sanders, for his service on the Mascot Committee and "the excellent job he did."

Law school will tighten its entry requirements

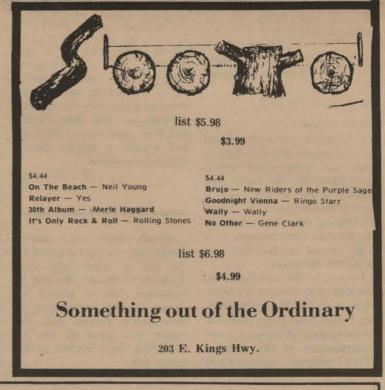
Students expecting to enter law school are likely to be affected by new admission requirements. A policy recently established by the LSU Baton Rouge law school makes a baccalaureate degree minimum requirement for admission, effective in the fall of 1977.

The new procedure, accompanied by higher standards for LSAT scores, reflects the increasing selectivity of law schools nationwide. Few out-of-state law schools allow admission after only three years and the recent students seeking entrance is expected to force admission standards still higher.

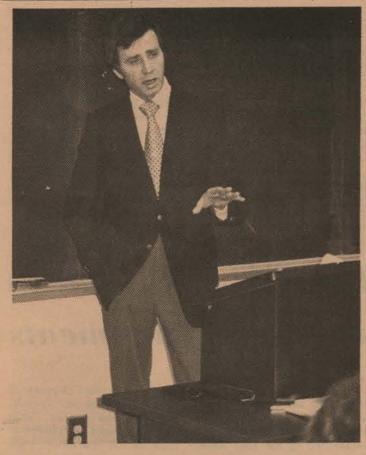
The new requirement means that the former 3-1 liberal artslaw degree program will be phased out by June of 1976. Under that program, a student course... e 96 hours (3 years) of course work in a specially designed curriculum after which he would be allowed to enter the LSU law school. Upon successful completion of his first year of law school, the student would be granted a baccalaureate degree in liberal arts-law.

Now, however, freshmen and all students thereafter will have to complete an academic major with a degree before entering law school. Sophomores are still eligible for acceptance with just three years course work.

Two faculty members, Hubert Humphreys and Dr. Milton Finley, will continue to coordinate pre-law advisement with other academic advisors. Students considering law careers are encouraged to contact one of the above advisors for information regarding law schools and admission.







Charles W. Tapp, director of the State Office of Consumer Protection, spoke to political science classes. He cited lack of rational planning that is turning Louisiana into a wasteland frontier by industry and economic cannibalism to be the most pressing problems of his agency. (photo: Irvin Schueler)

Letters....

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way this can be possible is for the student executive branch to start working more closely with the senate and not against it. It will also take the cooperation of the student to want to become actively involved and to be willing to get into touch with his senator and tell him what he thinks needs to be done. Working together for LSUS is the only way things can be accomplished.

> Preston Friedley, Liberal Arts Senator

Fred article attacked

To the Editor:

I do not claim or even pretend to be an expert on what makes a good and informative school newspaper. But, Mr. Editor, the quality of the article "Freshman gives viewpoint" by "Fred Freshman" by no stretch of the imagination even belongs in a high school publication, let alone the Almagest.

I would be the last person to attempt usurpation of anyone's right to be heard or published, but, I must emphaticly object to the derogatory attitude and total insignificance of this article. "Fred Freshman" apparently is

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bigoted to distraction on his opinion of homosexuals, and seemed to have some sort of fixation on knowing "who is the school fag?", "guys carrying umbrellas", and bathroom graffiti. It makes one wonder if possibly "Fred" isn't looking in the wrong place!

At any rate, the Almagest is no place for the ascertainment of his ego-building male virility.

"Fred" may think he is just missing out on weekend drinking and "motel rooms", but I contend he has missed something far more important: growing up. And dear Editor and Staff, you missed the boat and caught a small "junk" article to nowhere.

R. U. Kidding.

(Earth News) - It's finally happening - a rock musical on the life of silent film star Rudolph Valentino. The role of Valentino will be played by James Darren, former star of teen beach movies and the singer who gave us the hit "Goodbye Cruel World" in the early '60's.

The following article from my files is simply entitled "A Parable" by an anonymous

In the beginning there was MAN, a rational, thinking, laughing, featherless, sexdriven, passionate creature. who deciced he was lonely; and man said: "Let there be light." And there was light: flourescant bulbs, vapor lamps. General Electric and Westinghous, all blinking on and off. And MAN used this light to eliminate the darkness. And the day was night and the night was day. And all was light. At the touch of a switch.) And MAN saw the light and said he could see.

And MAN said: "Let there be lights to rule the East and lights to rule the West." And MAN made Texas Power and Light to rule Texas and Con Edision to rule New York. To each state he assigned its appropriate light.

And MAN said; "Let there be heaven and earth." And MAN used fertilizers and chemicals to increase to output of his farms; he used dredges to reclaim swamps and urban renewal profects to rebuild the cities. He used barameters and thermometers and cloud seeding devices to predict and control the weather. And he sent rockets into space to follow the paths of his telescopes and circle the sun. And MAN saw the earth and longed for the heavens.

Then MAN said: "Let there be life." And he dissected the frogs infected rats with hypodermic needles and locked mice in Skinner boxes. He studied the amoeba and protozoa and broke into the living cell. He analyzed guinea pigs and even analyzed himself. He invented the world of Id and inhabited it with egos, with psychoses, Oedipus complexes, sibling rivalries, and paranoic schizophrenia. And MAN said: Here is life."

And MAN said: "Let there be God." But he couldn't decide what type of god he should have, so he first made his with a cat's hear, or a horse's body, or in the shape of the sun. But these didn't satisfy MAN, and so he made God in his own image. He gave him a long white beard and told him he was infinate, omiscient, omnipresent, perfect, incomprehensible, and on my side. He told him that he was so much on my side that he died for me, so what I do is naturally right. And MAN made God and set him on a pedestal and went back to his work and blew himself up.

And in the end there was God.

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Needed: Male or female to work at the LSU Medical school. Two days a week 4 hrs. an afternoon. Contact Mrs. O'Neal or Mrs. Prather at 221-4514, Ext. 697.

Needed: Male to work flexible hours at Wray Import Motors, Contact Mr. Covington or Mr. Hahn at 424-5233.

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One or two males to work as maintenance engineers at the Captain Shreve. Same hours and number as above.

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Needed: Male or female to work at Spar Planetarium running shows. 8 hours per week. \$2.50 per hour. Call Paul Goodwin at

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Wanted: Combination pool supervisor and lifeguard at the Pierremont Oaks Tennis Club, May 1 - September 1. Must have WSI and be capable of teaching group and private lessons and supervise swim team Must also be qualified to maintain pool, including proper chemical mixtures. Submit resume to Mr. Leonard Sykes, P.O. Box 6128,

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Male to work at the Showtown Drive-In from 6:30 11:30 p.m. Contact Mr. Neutzling at 636 6630 after 7:00 p.m.

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Needed: Male to deliver furniture for Leyman's Furniture on afternoons and Saturday and Friday evenings. Contact Jack Leyman at 635-3591.

Wanted Part-time workers - must be honest, dependable. Minimum wage. Contact Triple A Employment at 5604 Hearne

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Wanted: Person, preferably female, to work flexible hours writing ads. Contact Dr. Taylor at 868-9532.

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Wanted: One used Tournament Soccer brand fussball table. Contact James at 865-7121, Ext. 278. After 5 p.m. 222-0145.

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If anyone found the book Biological Techniques" please return it to the Life Science Building. It is a \$20 textbook and cannot be sold back to the bookstore. The owner's name, Philip Barbour, is on the first

Wanted to buy or borrow: Juvenile Delinquency-Soc. 322 text and reader; Psychometics Psyc. 350, Text; Computer Programming-CSC 140, text, Call 687,7154.

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In book store

Manager enjoys her work

By Patricia S. Wilkins Contributing Writer

That sparkling, dimpled smile greeting customers from behind the counter at the bookstore these days belongs to the new manager, 31-year-old Shirley Webb.

Replacing the former manager, Shirley took over her new job last Nov. 11, having worked in the registrar's office for 18 months. The youthful manager and mother of two children, ages 11 and 9, admitted that although her new routine is hectic at times, she likes it—so far.

No policy changes yet

When asked about policy changes, Shirley hesitated, exclaiming, "I haven't had time to think about that yet!" She did, however, comment on what she considered the biggest complaint of students—return and refund procedures.

"We buy back new books and "unmarked" used books at full purchase price up until five days past the date for adding a course," she explained. "New books with marks may be returned for 75 per cent of the purchase price up until that date also—at our discretion," she added

She also stated that books may be returned for a refund of 50 per cent of the purchase price on the last two days of finals if the book is still in demand and being used the following semester. A "used book buyer" comes to the bookstore on these two days also, says Shirley, who will buy anything returned—at his price, however.

Books are ordered by Sammy W. Fertitta of the purchasing department from a list made up by the instructors who estimate the number needed by using previous course enrollment, according to the new manager.

Book prices commented on

Counting out sheets of graph paper for a customer, one of many other items including notebooks, school and art supplies, stocked in the bookstore, Shirley commented on book prices. "The most expensive book on the list is "Introduction To Physics of Space" for Physics 380, which costs \$22.50," she stated, adding that there are only four or five people in the class.

"The cheapest books are the paperbacks for English courses which cost as little at 75 cents," Shirley said, "but the English courses also require the most books. For example, English 351 has nine books on the list."

Comment given to customers

When asked if she had any comment for her customers, Shirley flashed her contagious smile, her blue eyes twinkling behind octagon-shaped, gold-rimmed glasses, "Please tell them I'm sorry about the long lines. There is no budget for bookstore workers. We do have part time student workers and the purchasing department sends help during registration, but we're working on it!"



Shirley Webb

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Sex for kids?

Earth News) — What may turn out to be the most controversial book of 1975 is a children's book called "Show Me." Its editor, Paul De Angelis of St. Martin's Press, describes it as a sort of "joy of sex" for children.

The book, which features large and elegant photos of lots of naked kids, is designed as a serious sex education manual. The big difference between it and other attempts is that the photos depict children engaged in what some folks will almost certainly consider pornographic activities.

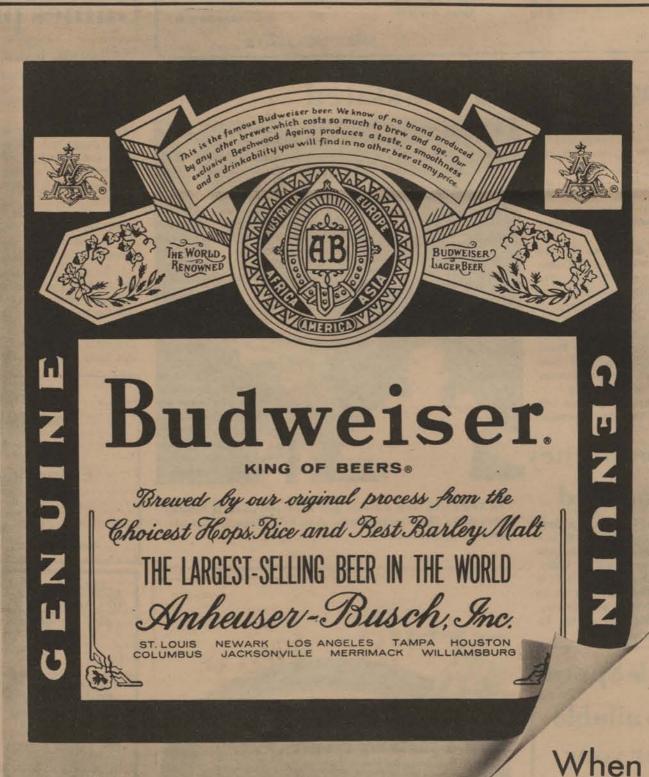
In a style written for children, the text discusses the entire range of human sexuality in blunt, no-nonsense language. De Angelis admits that the book will stir controversy when it's released in May. But he says the publisher is confident that it will pass all legal tests, and major retailers are already beginning to order it.

The book originally appeared last year in West Germany where it weathered a serious court challenge as obscene. It went on to become a strong best seller there following dismissal of charges.

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Schedule Correction

Feb. 10 MARDI GRAS TOURNAMENT to be held at Broadmoor YMCA and Ft. Humbug.

Feb. 17	6:00	Greenway Gang	vs.	Registers
	7:00	Dunking Do-Donuts	VS.	Misfits
	8:00	The Dudes	VS.	Zig Zags
Feb. 18	6:00	Strangers	vs.	Soul Patrol
	7:00	Macs Pac	vs.	Stud Service
	8:00	Mean Machine	VS.	Acid Freaks
Feb. 24	6:00	Greenway Gang	vs.	Macs Pac
	7:00	Dunking Do-Donuts	VS.	Stud Service
	8:00	Soul Patrol	VS.	Acid Freaks
Feb. 25	6:00	Zig Zags	VS.	Mean Machine
	7:00	Strangers	VS.	Misfits
	8:00	The Dudes	VS.	Registers
March 10	6:00	Greenway Gang	VS.	Misfits
	7:00	Dunking Do-Donuts	VS.	Registers
	8:00	Zig Zags	VS.	Strangers
March 11	6:00	Soul Patrol	VS.	The Dudes
	7:00	Macs Pac	vs.	Acid Freaks
	8:00	Mean Machine	VS.	Stud Service
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Mardi Gras games slated

The Mardi Gras Intramural Basketball tournament will tip off at 1:00 Monday at the Broadmoor YMCA. The 1:00 meetings will match the Greenway Gang and the Zig Zags; and at the same time the Dunking Donuts will meet Macs

At 2:00 the Dudes play the Registers, and the Acid Freaks will meet the Misfits. The winners of those four games will meet at 9 a m. on Tuesday.

Tuesday morning at 8, the Soul Patrol will meet the Strangers and the Mean Machine will play the Stud Service, with the two winners meeting at 10 on Tuesday.

The championship game will be at 1:00 Tuesday afternoon.

Chess tourney announced

Potential chess champions interested in participating in a Mardi Gras chess tournament must sign up by 2 p. m. today. The tournament will be held in the Snack Shack at 10 a. m. on Monday, Feb. 10 and Tuesday, Feb. 11. Sign up in the Intramural office.

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BASKETBALL FINALS

An Acid Freak team member goes in for two points in Monday night's game. Acid Freaks won the game by a whopping 59 points. (photo: Greg Goodwin)





A member of the Acid Freaks, an LSUS Intramural basketball team, reaches high to tip the ball to one of his teammates during Monday night action. (photo: Greg Goodwin)

Games played Monday

By Bess Maxwell

Intramural basketball continued Monday night at Fort Humbug with a three-game schedule.

In the first game at 6:00, Larry Diggs was all over the court and scored 39 points for the Acid Freaks, as they rolled over the Stud Service by a score of 104-45.

The second feature of the night, between the Dudes and the Strangers, was a forfeit giving the Strangers the victory.

In the night's last game, at 8, the Misfits squeaked by the Registers 39-33. Terry Brown was the high man for the winners with 13 points and the Registers' Mike O'Neil topped that team's scoring with 14.

Tuesday night's line-up included the Dunking Do-Donuts vs. Macs Pac at 6:00, Greenway Gang vs. Zig Zags at 7:00, and Mean Machine vs. Soul Patrol at

Results of these games were not available at press time.

Earth News) - Elton John proved that he's the biggest super-star of the Seventies by selling out all 44 of his recent North American concerts, appearing before more than 1.25 million fans. Even ticket scalpers were happy with Elton's drawing power. In most cities they were able to get as much as 500 percent above asking price for an Elton ticket.

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